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MEDIA ADVISORY

Canine Joins SAPD Force

WHAT: News Conference

WHEN: Monday, December 20th

10:30 AM

WHERE: PIO Conference Room

SAPD Headquarters

214 W. Nueva

PHOTO-OP: German Shepherd

The San Antonio Police Department is proud to announce an addition to the K-9 Unit. A German Shepherd named "Arno" is the latest member to join the ranks of the San Antonio Police Department.

Arno will replace the retiring "Kaling", a German Shepherd from China. Arno will be a patrol dog that will be trained in assisting patrol officers in searching for suspects.

This will bring to 14 the number of canine the department has. The unique abilities of our dogs range from bomb dogs, search and rescue dogs, narcotics dogs and patrol dogs.

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